THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) and (b) Medical check-ups including Chest X-ray' blood and urine tests apart from general medical examination, have been introduced recently in Tihar Jail by Delhi Administration.

(c) and (d) 'Jail' is a State subject. No instructions have been issued to the State Government in this regard.

Delay in implementation of Central projects in Bihar

*212. SHRI K. MOHANAN:
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

Will the Minister of PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that implementation of all the 25 Central projects in Bihar has been delayed by one to five years due to the non-supply of information by the Government of that State;

(b) if so, what are the details of these projects including escalation cost in each case;

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative what are the reasons for the inordinate delay in implementation of those projects;

(d) what is the present state of these projects; and

(e) what are the details of Government's plans to complete these projects?

THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The reasons for delay of the projects include the problems concerning acquisition of land, critical equipment and material supplied by the suppliers (imported as well as indigenous), finalisation of detailed engineering drawings, lack of infrastructural facilities and services, law and order disturbances, mis-matching progress of vendors, suppliers, change in scope inadequate allocation of funds inefficient working of contractors, labour problems, etc.

(d) Details are given in the statement attached. (*See* Appendix CXXXIX Annexure No. 53).

(e) The following steps are being taken to expedite the implementation of these projects:

(i) Preparation of realistic project implementation plans.

(ii) Effective monitoring through Monthly Flash Report and Quarterly Status Report Monitoring System.

(iii) Constant pressure on project authorities for expeditious completion.

(iv) Inter-Ministerial coordination and inter-action.

(v) Close follow-up by concerned Ministries and project authorities with State Governments, equipment suppliers, Consultants and other concerned agencies to minimise delays.

Rate of issue of wheat to flour mills

213. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the procurement rate of wheat and the issue rate of wheat to flour mills by the Food Corporation of India in December, 1985; and

(b) the procurement rate of wheat and the issue rate of wheat to flour mills by the Food Corporation of India as on 1st February and 1st April, 1986?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

Procurement prices and the prices of wheat issued to roller flour mills

Rs./Qtl.

As on	Procurement price of wheat	Issue price of wheat to roller flour mills
December, 1985	Rs. 157·00	Rs. 172·00
1-2-1986	Rs. 157·00	Rs. 190·00
1-4-1986	Rs. 162·00	Rs. 220·00

Involvement of the tribals in compensatory plantations

*214. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

(a) whether a policy decision has been taken to the effect that developmental plans should not adversely effect the forest and tribal areas;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that extensive forest and tribal areas have been submerged by irrigation and power projects;

(c) what policy has been adopted to raise compensatory plantations with the involvement of tribals; and

(d) what is the administrative arrangement for rehabilitation and afforestation programmes?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI RAJIV GANDHI): (a) In approving development projects the impact on forests and on the tribals is taken into account. In some instances projects are not approved on these accounts; in others they are modified. But ameliorative measures to alleviate, rectify or minimise the impact are provided.

(b) Since 1951, over 5.00 lakh hectares of forest land have been diverted for irrigation and power projects.

(c) Compensatory plantations are stipulated to be raised on non-forest lands over an area equivalent in extent to the forest area being diverted. In areas inhabited by tribals such compensatory plantations are raised with the involvement of tribals.

(d) Prior to clearnce of development projects involving diversion of forest lands for non-forest purposes, an appropriate rehabilitation plan for the displaced persons including tribals, and a specific plan for compensatory afforestation are insisted upon. Such plans are financed by the Project.

केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो द्वारा गबन के लिये भारतीय खाद्य निगम के चार अधिकारियों की गिरफ्तारी

*215. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव** : क्या खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान पटना से प्रकाशित होने वाले दैनिक 'आज'' दिनांक 30 जून, 1986 में ''भारतीय खाद्य निगम में 23 लाख का घोटाला, चार अधिकारी और एक व्यापारी गिरफ्तार'' शीर्षक से छपे समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार ने इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कार्यवाही की है?